THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 1168 titles in various languages including originals, translations, revised editions and reprints have been brought out upto 31st October, 1986.

Grants to Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya

2109. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have discontinued the grant to the Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya, if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government are aware that the Gandhi Museum is languishing because of paucity of funds; and

(c) what steps are contemplated by Government for the development and maintenance of the precious belongings of the father of the Nation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The Government of India is keen that the belongings of the Father of the Nation are maintained in a befitting manner and have been assisting from time to time the Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya under its schemes of financial assistance to private museums and libraries.

Termination of Pregnancy by Unqualified Persons in the Country

2110. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that termination of pregnancy is being done by unqualified persons in several parts of the country;

(b) if so, the number of cases of such termination of pregnancy that were detected during the last one year; and

(c) what action Government have taken to eliminate termination of pregnancy by unqualified persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Unauthorised illegal abortions take place secretly, hence no official data is available on this matter.

(c) Steps have been taken by way of increasing the facilities and availability of trained manpower to attend to abortion services under the purview of the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971 as a health measure. Availability of facilities for such safe, hygienic and legal abortion services is being made known to the public.

Shortage of air seats from Delhi to Srinagar

2111. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of air seats from Delhi to Srinagar during the tourist season; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) During the tourist season, Indian Airlines operates additional flights on Delhi-Srinagar Sector to meet the additional traffic demand.

राज्यों तथा संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों में रेल सुविधाएं

2112. **श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय :** क्या **रेल** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) भारत में कौन-कौन से राज्य एवं संघ राज्य क्षेत्र ऐसे हैं जिनके राजधानी मुख्यालयों में रेल सुविधाएं उपलब्ध नहीं हैं ;

(ख) क्या सरकार देश के सभी राज्यों की राजधानियों में रेल सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया) : (क) निम्नलिखित राज्यों तथा संघ शासित क्षेत्रों की राजधानियों में इस समय रेलवे लाइनें नहीं हैं :—

क्रम संख्या	राज्य/संघ शासित क्षेत्र
1.	जम्मू और कश्मीर
2.	मणिपुर
3.	मेघालय
4.	नागालैण्ड
5.	सिक्किम
6.	त्रिपुरा
7.	अरुणाचल प्रदेश
8.	अण्डमान और निकोबार
9.	दादरा और नगर हवेली
10.	गोवा, दमन और दीव
11.	लक्षद्वीप
12.	मिजोरम

(ख) और (ग) उपर्युक्त राज्यों तथा संघ शासित क्षेत्रों में भूभाग को देखते हुए तथा संसाधनों की तंगी के कारण, इन राजधानियों के लिए रेल लाइनों के निर्माण का फिलहाल कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

Cancer in India

2113. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that cases of cancer have been increasing in the country;

(b) the estimated number of cases which have come to Government's notice during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) what steps are being taken to minimise this disease and for finding its treatment by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) As Cancer is neither a notifiable nor registerable disease, information on the morbidity and mortality figures for the entire country is not available. However, due to improved facilities now available for diagnosis and treatment of cancer, the impression gained is that cancer cases have been increasing in the country, whereas in fact there is no increase in cancer cases.

(b) Figures for the year 1986 are not available. However, the data regarding number of cancer patients treated in the specialised cancer hospitals during the year 1983, 1984 and 1985 are as follows:

Year	No. of patients treated.
1983	.. 44020
1984	.. 44345
1985	.. 36768

(c) The Government of India had launched a Cancer Research and Treatment Programme in 1975 during the 5th Five Year Plan. Under this programme. existing leading cancer institutions at Ahmedabad, Bombay, Bangalore, Calcutta, Cuttack. Delhi, Gauhati, Gwalior, Madras and Tri-